

The Daily Courant.

Friday, May 18. 1705.

Vienna, May 9.

THE 6th the Body of the Emperor Leopold was open'd to be embalm'd, and it was found that the principal Cause of his Death, was a Dropsy in the Stomach. His Heart was carry'd to the Chappel of Loretto in the Church of the barefoot Augustins, and interr'd behind the Altar: His Bowels were carried to the Cathedral of St. Stephen. The same Evening, the Body was expos'd in the great Hall of the Palace, call'd the *Ridder-Zaal*, upon a Bed of State, (over which was a Canopy of black Velvet,) having on a black Cloak of the Spanish Fashion, a Perriwig and and Hat on the Head, and a Sword by the Side: At the Feet stood a Silver Crucifix, and at a little Distance on a Cushion of Cloath of Gold, lay the Imperial Crown, Globe, and Scepter, and the great Collar of the Order of the golden Fleece: On the Left side of the Bed, the Crowns of Hungary and Bohemia, were laid on a Cushion of Cloath of Silver. About the Bed were plac'd large silver Candlesticks, in which were White-Wax Tapers burning. And the Corpse was attended by 4 Lords and 4 Gentlemen of the Bed-Chamber, all in long Mourning Cloaks, and with them stood 4 Augustin Friars, and some of the Life-Guards which were reliev'd every 2 Hours attended. In the same Hall 4 Alcars were set out, at which Divine Service was celebrated, Thus the Body lay in State Thursday and Yesterday, and a vast Crowd of Persons of Quality and common People have been to see it. To Night it will be interr'd, in the Church of the Capuchins; and all the Nobility of the Court, and the Estates of the Province will attend it to the Grave. In the Mean time, all the Ministers and Grandees, have paid their Compliments of Condoleance and Congratulation to the new Emperor; and Couriers have been dispatch'd to notify to all the Electors and other Princes of the Empire and to divers foreign Potentates, the Death of the Emperor Leopold and the Accession of his Son Joseph to the Throne. An Express has been sent to the Elector Palatin, to invite him to come to the Imperial Court, he being (as is reported,) nominated Executor of the Emperor's Will jointly with the King of Prussia. A few Days before the Emperor Leopold's Death, Cardinal Collonitz gave him the last Benediction in the Name of the Pope, in Vertue of a full Power he had from Rome to that Purpose. 4 Deputies from the Malecontents of Hungary are arriv'd here, 'tis hop'd they came instructed to accept of easy Terms of Accomodation. 'Tis talk'd his Imperial Majesty designs to go to Ratisbon, and thence to Praag to be crown'd King of Bohemia.

This Emperor died at the Age of 64 Years 10 Months and 26 Days, being born the 9th of June 1640: Was Son of the Emperor Ferdinand III. and of the Infanta Maria Anna of Austria, Daughter of Philip III. King of Spain. He was made King of Hungary the 27th of June 1555; King of Bohemia the 14th of September 1656; and chosen Emperor of the Romans at Frankfort the 18th of July 1658: He first married, the 12th of December 1666, the

Infanta Maria Theresa, Daughter of the Catholick K. Philip IV. she died the 12th of March 1673. The 15th of October 1673, he married Claudia Felix, Daughter of the Archduke Ferdinand Charles; she died the 8th of April 1676. And the 14th of December 1676, he married his 3d Wife Eleanora Magdalena Teresa, (Daughter of Prince Philip William Duke of Neubourg, afterwards Elector Palatine,) who is now Empress Dowager.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated May 22.

Venice, May 9. A Felucca from Dalmatia has brought Letters from Constantinople, dated the 24th of March, which say Sultan Achmet appears still determin'd to maintain the Peace of Carlowitz, and that he is chiefly taken up with the Diversion of Hunting. We have Advice from the Camp before Mirandola, That the French have lodg'd themselves on two Angles of the Covert-Way, but that the Ground being very much soak'd by the Rains, they cannot raise Platforms firm enough for placing their Artillery in Battery; so that they make use of no more than 4 Pieces of Cannon, and some Mortars, which the Besieged Answer with casting Stones out of their Mortars that incommode the Besiegers extremely. It seems the great Difficulty lies in passing the Ditch, which is very deep and full of Water, and cannot easily be pass'd.

From the Paris Letter.

Paris, May 19. The King is perfectly recover'd; 3 days ago he din'd in Publick, and was present in Council. Yesterday the Count de Toulouse's Baggage was sent away to Toulon; whence 'tis advis'd that there are 37 Men of War in a readiness to sail, and that they are working with all diligence to fit out 10 more. The King has receiv'd Advice, That the Marquis de Thoy has entred Portugal, on the side of Almeida, with 3000 Men, and has laid waste the Country 17 or 20 Leagues round. The Duke of Vendome has sent Advice by a Courier, That he had order'd 20 Battallions and as many Squadrons to march from Piemont to Lombardy; with which Reinforcement the Grand Prior will be able to make Head against the Imperialists, and hinder their sending any Succour to the Duke of Savoy. The Duke of Vendome is to return to Casal before the end of this Month, in order to besiege Turin with 40000 Men. The Troops of the King's Household arriv'd the 14th Instant at Giver, whence they are march'd towards the Army under the Elector of Bavaria, who will open the Campaign before the end of this Month.

Amsterdam Courant, dated May 23.

From the Camp at Loen, May 20. We do not hear the Enemy have yet sent any Detachment towards the Moselle; but we learn they have drawn their Troops together to 4 several Camps, and that they make frequent Motions and Alterations, to keep from us the Knowledge of the Number of their Forces; But for all that, we are well inform'd they are superior to us, and therefore the old Intrenchment about this Camp is order'd to be repair'd and made defensible, that in case the Enemy Attack us we may give them the more Employment.

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Amsterdam, May 22. The Dutch Men of War the *Wulverhoft*, Captain Zells, and the *Raadhuyt* of Harlem,

Harlem, Captain Teengs, Commanders, sail'd from the Mouth of the Humber the 19th at 3 in the Afternoon with about 20 Merchant Ships from Hull under their Convoy. The 22d at Day-break they descri'd 3 French Ships of War; which at 7 a Clock came down upon them off Kamper on our Coast; the 2 biggest carrying from between 50 to 60 Guns attack'd the Convoy while the other made after the Merchant-Men; but our Convoys behav'd themselves so well, that the 2 French Ships they had to deal with were forc'd to make a Signal to the 3d to come to their Assistance. By misfortune Captain Zells had his Fore-Mast and Boltspirit shot away, which disabled his Ship; the afterwards took Fire, and blew up, but whether the Enemy had first taken Possession of her is uncertain. As for Captain Teengs he made out to Sea with all the Sail he could, and the Enemy follow'd him, but whether they have taken him or no is uncertain. The Master of a Vessel that came into the Texel yesterday from Bourdeaux reports, that while Captain Zell's Ship was on fire, before she blew up, the Captain and the Crew quitted her, and by their Boats got into Captain Teengs's Ship; and that some time after he saw the French standing to the South, and that they had not Captain Teengs's Ship with them. Of the Hull Ships these following are missing, but whether taken or not is not yet known, viz. Jan Klaesz. van Hamburg, Jan Klaesz. Meeles, Valentine de Winter, N. Kievit, Samuel Stockton, and George Woodhouse.

From the Camp before Valencia, dated May 2.

Dear Sir,

I Have only Time to tell you, that in 6 Days March, with 2 Days Halt between, we are got thus far into Castile from Estremos, and have invested this Place, which appears to be not very strong, so that when our Batteries are rais'd 'tis hop'd in 4 Days Time we shall be Masters of it: The Garrison, we are inform'd, consists of 500 Men regular Troops, and 500 Militia, among them are some of Mahoni's Dragoons. They fire upon us with their Cannon pretty briskly, but the Situation of the Place is such, that we shall certainly have the Don by the Whiskers very soon, and I hope without much Loss, tho' we have had some few Men kill'd already by Random Shots. Every thing is preparing to break Ground this Night, and I hope the next Letter you will have from me will be from Alcantara, to which Place no doubt we shall march, it being but 8 Leagues from hence, and in taking it we open a Communication into the Province of Beira, where the Marquis das Minas is with about 7000 Foot and Horse, which may then join us on every Occasion. Our Army here consists of 30 Battallions of Foot, good 15000 Men; and 3450 Horse and Dragoons. I must needs tell you I never expected to see so many Forces together, considering the great Detachments sent to Gibraltar, which by their seasonable Arrival, thro' the Conduct of the Prince of Hesse and the Bravery of the English, have ruin'd the Spanish Foot and presery'd the Place. In all our March we met no Body in Arms, nor can we learn what is become of the Spanish Cavalry: A Feinte my Lord Gallway made by sending to view Badajox, has 'tis said, drawn them that Way. I suppose 'twill not be long before we hear of them, for if they let Alcantara fall into our Hands, if we can get Provisions nothing can hinder our piercing much farther into Spain. My Lord Gallway is not perfectly recover'd of his last Sickness, yet is the Soul of this Matter here, and if he does not do the work on this Side, any other Man will find it impossible. This is a good Country, we find Forrage enough for our Horses, but little or nothing for our Selves: The Spaniards are all goneto the strong Towns with their Cattle. We have with us 20 Pieces of Can-

non, some for the Field some for Battery. There are about 14 Guns firing against us, we shall see to Night whether they have Bombs; we have some, and our Mortars will be plac'd in Order in 2 Days, to keep the Spaniards in the Town from sleeping too much.

Portsmouth, May 15. This day about 3 a Clock in the Afternoon sail'd from St. Hellens the Virginia and West-India Fleet, under Convoy of Her Majesty's Ships Kingston and Faulkland for Virginia; and the Weymouth, Greyhound, Advice Prize, and Medway's Prize for the West-Indies. The Fleet consisted of about 70 Sail. To day likewise came in from the Coast of Holland Her Majesty's Ships Resolution, Capt. Knapp, Dunkirk, Capt. Griffith, and Foy, Capt. Parsons, Commanders, and under their Convoy the William and Mary Hoy, William Mitchel Master, Tender on Sir Cloudsly Shovel, and a Smack, W. Spesleer Master, both from Dover. Sir Cloudsly Shovel is at Spithead with the Fleet under his Command, and some Transport Ships.

London, May 18.

Last Night the Poll was finish'd for Members of this City, and is as follows,

Sir Robert Clayton, Kt.	2919
Sir William Ashburst, Kt.	2961
Sir Gilbert Heathcote, Kt.	3346
Samuel Shepherd, Esq;	3015

Sir John Fleet, Kt.	2187
Sir John Parsons, Kt.	1700
Sir William Withers, Kt.	1964
Sir Richard Hoare, Kt.	2195

At the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Friday being the 18th of May, will be reviv'd a Comedy call'd, Amphitruon; Or, The Two Sotia's. Written by the late Mr. Dryden. And all the Songs set by the late Mr. Henry Purcell, and perform'd by Mr. Leveridge, Mrs. Lyndsey, and the new Boy. With several Entertainments of Dancing by Mrs. Crofts and others.

A Regiment now at Portsmouth, being vacant of a Surgeon and Mate, if any are inclinable, being qualified thereto, they may be admitted, and know farther at Mr. Caye's at Barber-Surgeons Hall, they must be quick if willing to serve in these Posts.

Lost on Tuesday the 15th Instant, about Twelve a Clock at Noon, coming from Hamstead to London (suppos'd between the half way House and Tatnall Court) a Gold Watch made by Benj. Bell, and a graved Out-side Case with a Cypher on the back. Whoever brings it to Mr. James Seamer's Goldsmith at the Flower-de-Luce in Fleetstreet shall have 2 Guineas Reward.

Lost the 17th of this Instant, a Note under the Hand of Mr. Joseph Ward, for 30 l. and one of 10 l. payable to John Johnson or Bearer, with some other Papers of no use to any but the Owner, Payment being stop'd. Give Notice to Mr. Stephen Peters at the Cock in Birch Lane, and you shall have 10 s. Reward.

This Day will be continued the Sale by Auction, of a Collection of valuable English Books in Divinity, History, Physick, Law, Voyages, Travels, &c. curiously Bound, at Tom's Coffee-house adjoining to Ludgate, beginning at 6 a Clock in the Evening, Catalogues may be had at the place of Sale, where the Books may be viewed at any time before the Sale begins.

Whereas John Walthoe in the Middle-Temple-Cloysters, has several times published Proposals for the Printing of a General Abridgment of the Common, and most Useful Part of the Statute-Law of England, Digested under proper Titles, with Notes and References to the Whole, &c. Which Book, by the said Proposals, is to contain about 200 Sheets, and the Price of each Book in Sheets is to be 25 s. to the Subscribers, and 30 s. to those who did not subscribe by the last day of Easter-Term, 1704. Now Notice is hereby given, That the Assignees of the Patent for the sole Printing of Law-Books (in Vindication of their Right) will Print the said Book, Page for Page, to contain the same Number of Sheets, and on better Paper, which shall be delivered in Sheets to Gentlemen at the Price of Thirteen Shillings for each Book, in Michaelmas-Term next, or within Four Months after Publishing the said Book by the said John Walthoe.

Two Chronological Tables, of the most remarkable Occurrences from the Creation of the World to the great Tempest, November, 1703. curiously Engraven, and Printed upon the best Imperial Paper. To be sold at the Printers in London and Westminster, and J. Stuart on London-Bridge, A. Oldisworth in Cannon-street, J. Robinson, R. Wilkin, and J. Taylor in St. Paul's Church-Yard, B. Lintott in Fleet-street, J. Dewell in the Strand, J. Barnes in the Pall-mall, S. Heyrick at Gray's Inn-Gate in Holborn, and by the Author T. Olyffe in Church-Yard-Alley in Fetter-Lane. A new Copy-Book of the usual Hands by the same Author will speedily be publish'd.